

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Mamoru Higashimura, et al.  
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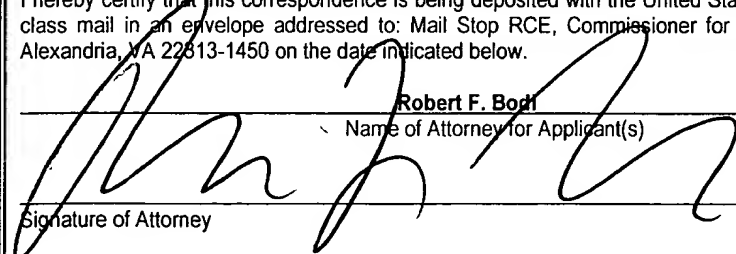
**AMENDMENT "C" FILED WITH RCE**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated July 26, 2005 (Paper No. 050712), and the Advisory action of November 17, 2005. The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expire on October 26, 2005. Please extend the time for a response by two months, to December 26, 2005. The extension of time fee of \$450.00 is enclosed. This amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). A check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed for the RCE fee. Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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